SENATE BILL No. 168

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 16-31-6-1.

Synopsis: Immunity for first responders. Provides that a certified emergency medical technician is immune from civil liability for an act or omission in providing emergency services unless the act or omission constitutes gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct.

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Effective: July 1, 2005.

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January 4, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Corrections, Criminal, and Civil Matters.

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Introduced

First Regular Session 114th General Assembly (2005)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2004 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning civil procedure.

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

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SECTION 1. IC 16-31-6-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 1. (a) A certified emergency medical technician or a certified emergency medical technician-basic advanced who provides emergency medical services to an emergency patient is not liable for an act or omission in providing those services unless the act or omission constitutes **gross** negligence or willful **or wanton** misconduct. If the emergency medical technician or emergency medical technician-basic advanced is not liable for an act or omission, no other person incurs liability by reason of an agency relationship with the emergency medical technician or emergency medical technician-basic advanced.

(b) This section does not affect the liability of a driver of an ambulance for negligent operation of the ambulance.



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